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Hongkong, 1st December, 1905. [2714]

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 8th, 1905.

Never, perhaps, was a story with more "point," told than that Eastern one of the three blind men who found an elephant. One, embracing a leg, said "I perceive that an elephant is like a tree." Another, who had found the trunk, said: "Nay, brother. It is more like a snake." The third, who had encountered the animal's flank, declared them both wrong; that it was like an over-hanging rock. The argument continued until they parted, and even then each knew that he was right. Col. Piquart, the well-known French military critic, and the German authors of a pamphlet he criticises, appear to be in a like state of mind. The German General Staff some time ago issued a pamphlet entitled *Kriegsbrauch* in *Landkriege* (War Usages in Land Fighting). Following its translation into French, Col. Piquart criticises it in the *Gazette de Louvain*. The Hague Peace Conference appears to have prompted the German view, which regarded that conference as achieving little beyond pious aspirations; and viewed with all the alarm of a practical soldier the extremes toward which "degenerate humanitarianism" seemed to be edging the world. In this they were taking a perfectly correct view of the leg of the elephant; and the French reviewer, stationed at the trunk, is equally right, from his point of view, in regarding the German view as reactionary and inhumane. But neither side sees the whole elephant; and it would almost appear that clear and complete views are impossible where enthusiasm and sympathy and sincerity actuate the

beholder. In fact, aloofness, almost amounting to indifference, will be charged against the non-blind spectator. It is certain that he must be able to turn a callous eye on things that make humanity shudder, and equally necessary that he be not so callous as to be unable to shudder. With regard to the Hague Conference, we must first settle what they would be at. If their ideal is to make an end of war altogether, we will remember its horrors, admire their aim, and try not to be unduly pessimistic as to their ultimate success. If their object is the more practical one of mitigating the inevitable horrors of inevitable war, then we must not let sympathy or prejudice carry us away. Comic papers mention every winter the tender-hearted lady who, seeing a football match for the first time, asks why they don't give each side a ball, so that the players need not struggle so much. Everybody sees the point desired to be made; but not everybody stops to think that, within limits, the tender-hearted lady was right in principle. Rules are made to mitigate the roughness of that sport, but should those rules go too far in the direction of the lady critic's ideal, they would defeat their own object. The majority of footballers would go back to the primitive game, unhampered even by the restrictions, to which they had before agreed. War is the game of instinct, satisfactory only so long as it satisfies instinct. Human disputes can never be finally settled by games of chess: one of the disputants will always find his thoughts turning irresistibly to the argument of CAIN. Recognising this, the world has managed to eliminate to a great extent unnecessary brutalities, and tried to reduce the horrors of war to its least unpleasant essentials. Col. Piquart protests because the German idea seems to be that the end justifies the means. It may be that we have got too near to the elephant; but that is a principle which in warfare we fear we must admit. There was some outcry among humane people who were shocked by the killing (whether actual or alleged does not matter) of wounded men in the Sudan. Those wounded men lay quietly watching for chances to kill British soldiers, in many cases hurting those who were looking for them to play the good Samaritan. If this means could have achieved the end, that is, ensured victory for their side, it would not have been so shocking. The end of reducing unnecessary and unavailing suffering and slaughter was, however, achieved by making sure that the savages were as dead as they pretended to be. Humanitarians err when they are unwilling to see that circumstances alter cases. Col. Piquart's point that without extreme rules there would be danger from chiefs wanting in singleness of heart, or scrupulousness weakened by the reflection that such men would follow their instinct in face of a thousand regulations. It is probable that if Japan had not felt obliged to play to the humane gallery, and had not been embarrassed by a multitude of conventions, she would not have left Russia in the position of pretending that there was a doubt as to the ultimate outcome. Also, the war might not have lasted quite so long.

The German Mail of the 8th November was delivered in London on the 6th inst.

From the 1st January next the Banco Nacional Ultramarino at Macao will circulate their \$5 and \$1 notes.

Singapore is scandalised because a engineer, for eight or ten months' work in connection with the Tanjong Pagar Dock expropriation, demanded \$100,000 and got \$50,000.

Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts inform us that they are in receipt of a private telegram advising that the crushing of the Rand Australian Gold Mine for the past four weeks realized 600 ounces smelted gold from 5,086 tons of stone.

Sergeant Davies on Wednesday seized a contraband junk at Wanchai, which was taking its cargo to Quarry Bay. When the Sergeant saw the vessel, its crew were coaling a launch, supposedly without permission. Further particulars will be learned when the case comes up at the Police Court.

A case at Colombo shows it is of no use "crossing" a cheque if the word "bearer" is allowed to remain. The words "or order" should be substituted, and in this connection one of the local banks prints a rule (not enforced) forbidding the alteration of its cheques forms. What is the object?

The Victoria Amateur Dramatic Club present Dion Boucicault's famous Irish drama, "The Shaughraun," in the theatre of St. Patrick's Club on Saturday night; the performance to be repeated on Monday, Tuesday and Saturday evenings of next week. The company is numerically strong, and as the members have been practising hard, the production should be meritorious.

The Government Entomologist at Cape Town has publicly made the following statements, which do not appear to tally with the teachings of certain scientists. He says:—Not all, but only a small proportion of anopholes (mosquitoes) act as intermediate or secondary hosts of the parasite which causes malaria disease. Malarial mosquitoes, on the whole, breed in standing water, e.g., under the banks of streams, and in no case have the anopholes been found in stagnant water.

A French passenger, whose real name has not yet been found, was produced before the District Court at Colombo from the House of Observation, where he had been kept a fortnight. He was of unsound mind, violent and depressed in turn. The money he had with him, about £300 in French notes, &c., had been handed to the Superintendent of the Asylum, and his luggage was at Messrs. Cook & Sons. It was stated that he had some more money in the trunk.

The Colombo estimates for next year provide for £2,300 to convert the House of Observation into a hospital for Tropical Diseases—for rather research ward of the General Hospital. Professor Castellani had a few beds provided in the former House of Observation on the Base Line Road where he kept under observation patients suffering from paratyphoid, dysentery, &c. The present intention is to slightly enlarge the number of beds in this building. Dr. Castellani will be chiefly responsible for the research work.

An account of Norwegian Shipping in the Far East for 1904-05, compiled by Mr. Bjørn Aagaard, of Hongkong, has just been published. It contains information that will be found interesting to those associated with our mercantile activity, and discusses the effect of present and prospective competition in an open manner. It is worthy of note that there are eight Norwegian firms in the Far East, one established in 1891, two in 1903, two in 1904, and three in 1905. "Three are in Shanghai, two in Kobe, and one each in Hongkong, Yokohama, and Soerabaya. Previously all Norwegian business in the East was handled by German firms. Of the Scandinavian ships entered at the Customs House in Hongkong last year, 69 were Norwegian, four Danish and four Swedish, while their total tonnage was respectively 276,211, 26,817 and 8,582.

A correspondent of the *Westminster Gazette* writes:—"The correspondence from Mr. A. G. Wise in regard to imprisonment for debt in Ceylon is well worthy of attention. This gentleman is quite correct in his reference to an English planter having been imprisoned some years ago for civil debt and dying in the goal from dysentery, owing to his not being accustomed to the food given to civil and native prisoners. The very firm who caused the imprisonment were the first to repent their action, as they gave out they would never imprison a white man for simple debt again, preferring rather to write off the liability. The unjust part of this law in Ceylon is that a debtor serving a sentence in goal for a civil debt is not exempt legally of the money he may owe, after the term of incarceration has expired. This is the point that calls for amendment. So far, the Ceylon journals, in their comments on the law, have not ventured to touch upon it. Warrants for personal arrest, too, are granted in Ceylon, by native magistrates especially, for the arrest of a European just as easily as if it were for the apprehension of a bolting colic. The late Puisne Judge of Ceylon thinks that it is a pity that more than one law should be administered in Ceylon. Unification is urgently wanted, and it is to be hoped that a Commission will soon be appointed to deal with the whole legal system of that island."

CORRESPONDENCE.

OVERCROWDING.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."
SIR,—Some time ago you published in your columns a report, on the question of "Resumption of Insanitary Properties," by H. E. the Governor, and a reply from the Secretary of State relative to the manner in which the subject should in future be dealt with. When the work is resumed, I would like to suggest that the first district demanding attention is that block in the heart of China town which is bounded by Lascar Row, Hollywood Road, Alchemong Lane and Possession Street. This neighbourhood is shockingly overcrowded with a population which, because of its manner of life, loves darkness rather than light. The buildings occupied by this community are everywhere of them old, some very old: dark of entrance, damp and evil-smelling through their passages and on most of their floors, for there is little chance of any atmosphere, however fresh it may be, combating the state of excessive overcrowding which at times, during the cold weather, is bound to exist. All of these houses are filled with partitions protected by smoke begrimed hangings or curtains, and form a magnificent incubating laboratory for the plague bacillus which generally begins its deadly work early in the Spring.

Perhaps one of the first efforts which H. E. might make is the inspection of the neighbourhood above described, and should it not appear feasible to carry out a complete renewal of the properties named, it might at least be possible to have the houses changed in character by removing their inmates to some more healthy and pleasant locality such as exists in the neighbourhood further west in Queen's Road and Witty Street.—Yours, &c.

SPECTATOR.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.

ANARCHY IN RUSSIA.

LONDON, 6th December.

Complete anarchy prevails in the Baltic provinces.

THE SULTAN SUBMISSIVE.

LONDON, 6th December.

The Porte has accepted the demands of the Powers.

RAILWAY STATION COLLAPSES IN LONDON.

LONDON, 6th December.

The roof of Charing Cross Railway Station collapsed. Five were killed and 27 injured.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT AND TRUSTS.

LONDON, 6th December.

President Roosevelt's message to Congress urges the Government to control the trusts and railway rates.

The above telegrams were delayed in delivery owing to the mutilation of the address.

REUTERS' SERVICE.

THE PARIS BOURSE.

LONDON, 5th December.

A further heavy fall in Russian stocks has caused a collapse of the Paris bourse, which yesterday verged on a panic.

TURKEY AND THE POWERS.

LONDON, 5th December.

The international fleet has occupied the island of Lemnos.

THE SITUATION IN RUSSIA.

LONDON, 5th December.

News from St. Petersburg, dated Sunday, says that on the whole the feeling is more confident and the nervousness no longer so marked. The people are getting used to the situation. All the troops in the vicinity have been called into St. Petersburg. The run on the Savings Bank continues.

PENNY POSTAGE.

LONDON, 5th December.

The penny postage rate has been extended to Egypt and the Sudan, from the 15th inst.

POLITICAL.

LONDON, 5th December.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman has accepted office. Before going to Buckingham Palace to kiss the King's hand, he had a conversation with the Duke of Devonshire, in which a union with the Liberal Unionists played the most important role.

RUSSIA.

LONDON, 5th December.

The revolutionary movement, exercising the widest control, intends demanding that Count Witte shall convolve a constituent assembly.

FLOWER SHOW.

We are requested to remind our readers of the meeting to be held in the City Hall at 4.30 this afternoon for the purpose of forming a Society to arrange for an annual flower show in the Colony.

"TRUTH" ON GAMBLING IN MALAYA.

Mr. Libberson of *Truth* says:—"I do not know whether the Anti-Gambling League is still in existence, but if so, it might usefully turn its attention to the conduct of the British Government in connection with the licensed Chinese 'gambling farms' of the Federated Malay States. The representative of the British Government who control and carry on the administration of the States are directly responsible for a policy under which gambling by the Chinese population is not merely legalised, but actually encouraged, for the sake of the revenue. The licences are periodically put up to tender and sold to the highest bidder. Only the Chinese, of whom there are some 300,000 in the States, are permitted to frequent the licensed gambling houses, Europeans, Malays, Tamils and others being prohibited by the law from doing so."

At the request of some influential Chinamen in the Malay States, a city merchant has sent me a copy of a petition to the British High Commissioner, in which they set forth the evil results among their countrymen of this organised system of public gambling. No race is more prone to gambling, and it may readily be believed that the exceptional facilities that are given to the Chinese in these States are productive of much crime and misery. In Hongkong and the Straits Settlements gambling is prohibited, and even if total prohibition is deemed impracticable in the Malay States it is, at any rate, scandalous that the vice should be deliberately fostered by the authorities. The licences bring in a substantial revenue, but as the Federated Malay States are in the happy position of having large annual surpluses, there is not even a financial reason for the continuance of a system which on moral grounds is absolutely indefensible."

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

6th December.

THE LINCHOW AFFAIR.

The following is a translation of a letter received here by the Young-Shing-po from its correspondent at Linchow:—

"Wen-Tung-Yao (Taota) and several deputies who were ordered by Victory Shun to investigate the Linchow massacre arrived here together with the American Consul General and his party. The moment they landed, the Consul-General and the other American officials immediately purchased large quantities of flowers and went to the graves of the victims and deposited on their tombs their tributes of respect for the unfortunate victims of the massacre. They retired after that to their houseboat and sent for a member of the gentry who related at great length the circumstances attending the massacre. 'The questioning of prisoners and witnesses was then proceeded with. Criminals (22) who had been arrested previous to the arrival of the Commission, had their heads shaved, were bathed, and attired in clean new clothes. This was no doubt appreciated by the members of the commission who had to remain for hours in their company. When these men appeared before the court they were told that they were not required to kneel down, as is the custom, and that they would not be tortured. They were accommodated with low stools to sit on. Wen-Tung-Yao then addressed them as follows: 'You, prisoners, have been the cause of the murder of several Europeans, thus implicating the people of Linchow and the officials. You, prisoners, must confess frankly what you have done, showing that you are brave men.' To this, one of the criminals, named Leung, replied that he confessed to have taken part in the massacre. Another, named Au Yong, confessed to having received \$820 from the missionaries to hire a boat. He took the money but did not carry out the brand he had undertaken. Wen-Tung-Yao severely reprimanded him for his wrongful act and said that having accepted the money he should have carried out his promise; and that, although he did not kill personally, any of the Europeans, yet he was in a measure responsible for what happened afterwards and said, 'You fully deserve the penalty of capital punishment and you are entitled to no pity.'"

"Another prisoner, Tang-Chai, said: 'The Europeans were in the wrong. For instance, there used to be a wide road alongside of the church. This the mission people tried to close to traffic. The matter was referred to the Prefect, who decided against the mission's claim. Notwithstanding this, the missionaries fenced the road and compelled us to use a road much further away. Another wrongful act was the following: We Chinese people have great belief in our Joss (神) and the ceremony of 'A-Chai'—worshipping. On this occasion, while we were offering up our prayers for our future welfare and prosperity, the missionaries interfered with our ceremonies, snatched our joss away and also took away several bombs. Yet another wrong was done to us, as we have discovered the dead bodies of young children on their premises.' The American Consul-General made no reply to these statements.

"No torture was applied; the men confessed and stated their case frankly."

"It appears that on the day the American Consul-General arrived, Mr. Loy insisted on hoisting the American flag in the suburbs of Linchow city. Tantai Wen strongly objected to this and stated that if this was done he would immediately return to Canton as he could not give them protection. Consul Loy gave in, and the flag was not hoisted."

MR. SCOTT'S RECOVERY.

Consul-General Scott, having recovered from his recent illness, returned to-day. A call was made on him by Tatar-General Shiao, who recently arrived here from Peking.

THE BOYCOTT HERO.

On the 3rd inst. Pang-Hai-Wai's ancestral tablets was placed in the Po-Lam temple of Tai-Lung city. Thousands of people including students from various colleges attended the ceremony. Amongst them were to be found numerous pilgrims from Hongkong and Macao who had come to show their respect for the Boycott Hero.

TRAGEDY IN THE HARBOUR.

CAPTAIN'S SUPPOSED SUICIDE.

It was reported to the Police yesterday morning that when the captain's boy of the s.s. *Siberia* entered his master's cabin with the usual morning coffee and toast, he found Captain Smith lying on his bed with his throat cut. He called help but the captain was found to be beyond human aid. It is believed that during the voyage out domestic troubles had preyed on his mind, and eventually caused him to take his life. The body was yesterday removed to the mortuary, where a medical examination was held, the result of which will be heard when the usual inquest is held.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

The monthly Competition for the Captain's Cup and Pool took place on the 1st to the 3rd December 1905. When the following returns were made:—

CAPTAIN'S CUP.	
Mr. W. F. Martin	84 - 7 = 77
Mr. S. Fulcher	83 - 8 = 80
Mr. T. S. Forrest	79 - 4 = 83
Mr. A. B. I. Lawson	88 - 3 = 83
Mr. S. G. Newall	101 - 18 = 83
Mr. W. W. G. Ross	95 - 12 = 83
Mr. H. Pinckney	96 - 12 = 84
Mr. T. B. Norrie	96 - 8 = 88

Dr. Martin, therefore, is the winner of the Captain's Cup and the Pool.

SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 7th December.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

BEFORE SIR FRANCIS PIGGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

THE MILLIONAIRE BANKRUPT.

The case of Choi Chung Lee alias Chey Chung, *ex parte* Loi Tai Chai was again mentioned.

Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, who appeared for the creditors and in the capacity of Crown Solicitor, applied for the discharge of the warrant issued by his Lordship last month. The debtor was now in the custody of the police in connection with certain charges of fraud relative to his bankruptcy.

Mr. P. W. Goldring, on behalf of the debtor, made application for an order from his Lordship for the return of the \$5,000 deposited as security for the debtor's appearance by Loung Nam Po.

His Lordship—You want the security discharged?

Mr. Goldring—Yes.

His Lordship—But the debtor's public examination may be continued. (To Mr. Wakeman, the Official Receiver)—Have you any objection to the refunding of the security?

Mr. Wakeman—No, my Lord.

Mr. Bowley—I thought the security had been released. When the debtor was arrested there was no need for the security.

Mr. Dixon, who represented the creditors, remarked that the money might be held until the public examination was concluded.

His Lordship said he thought the security was only given for his appearance and the best security for his appearance was the Government custody. There could be no better security.

Mr. Dixon—Surprising he is discharged at the Magistrate's?

His Lordship—Then you must watch the proceedings and apply again.

Mr. Dixon—He might be discharged tomorrow afternoon.

His Lordship—Is he coming to the Criminal Sessions or going before the magistrate?

Mr. Bowley—How will go before the magistrate.

Mr. Dixon—He might be discharged by the magistrate, my Lord.

His Lordship—Yes, that is so. I can't discharge the security. If he is committed to the Criminal Sessions then I can do so. I don't feel justified in keeping his security longer than I can help.

Mr. Goldring then asked for the debtor's public examination to be closed.

His Lordship—I can't deal with that now. (To Mr. Wakeman)—Your public examination won't touch the subject for which he is being prosecuted. His public examination will be independent of that. I should have thought you might conclude very quickly with that.

Mr. Wakeman—I cannot say offhand, my Lord.

His Lordship—I should imagine the public examination will not deal at all with the matter of the furniture. That matter is beyond us, so that you will take such steps as to conclude the public examination. There is not very much left, I think?

Mr. Wakeman—I think not, my Lord.

His Lordship—Well, run through the papers and see what else you might examine him on. The simplest course will be that the security stands until the conclusion of the public examination which will be concluded very shortly. Try to bring it off next Thursday if you can. The warrant will, therefore, be discharged.

A FEELTLESS JOURNEY.

Re the Wong Fung firm.

Mr. Wakeman said his Lordship would remember that this case was adjourned in order to see if debtor could make some arrangement. He went to Canton in the hope of raising funds to start business again but he did not succeed. It was a question of whether his stock-in-trade should be sold or whether he should re-start his business.

His Lordship said he was afraid nothing could be done, and the public examination was closed.

ADJOURNED CASES.

Re Wing On *ex parte* Tang Sun, the application of Mr. Goldring that the debtor firm be declared bankrupt, was adjourned till next Thursday, as was also the public examination re the Po Cheung alias Ko Shing Cheung firm.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. A. G. WISE (PUISNE JUDGE).

SEQUENT TO A COLLISION.

Loung Nin, owner of cargo lighters, brought an action against Wong Tsam, owner of passenger junk No. S 204 H trading between the city of Victoria and New Kowloon, for the recovery of the sum of \$700, being damages sustained by plaintiff through a collision between defendant's junk and plaintiff's lighter on the 27th September last, caused by negligence on the part of the master of the defendant's junk.

Mr. O. D. Thomson appeared for plaintiff, while the defendant did not appear, nor was he represented.

His Lordship gave judgment for plaintiff with costs.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.R. str. *Empress of India* arrived at Vancouver at 12.30 p.m. on Tuesday, the 5th inst.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Sigismund* which left here on 14th Nov. arrived at Sydney yesterday at 1 p.m.

The steamer *Gregory Apoor*, from Calcutta, left Singapore yesterday afternoon and may be expected here on or about the 11th inst.

The H.A.L. str. *Andria*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for our port on the 4th inst. and may be expected here on or about the 10th inst.

The C.P.R. str. *Tartar* arrived at Kobe at 8 a.m. on the 6th inst. and left again at 6 p.m. same day for Yokohama where she is due to arrive at 1 a.m. to-day.

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Council was held at the Council Chamber on Dec. 7th. Present—His EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, MAJOR SIR MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G. His EXCELLENCY MAJOR-GENERAL VILLIERS HATTON, C.B. (Commanding the Troops). Hon. Mr. T. SERCOMBE-SMITH (Colonial Secretary). Hon. Sir H. S. BERKELEY, K.C. (Attorney-General). Hon. Mr. L. A. M. JOHNSTON (Colonial Treasurer). Hon. Mr. A. W. BREWIN (Registrar-General). Hon. Captain L. A. W. BARNES-LAWRENCE, R.N. (Harbour Master). Hon. Mr. W. CHATHAM (Director of Public Works). Hon. Mr. R. SHEWAN. Hon. Sir C. P. CHATER, C.M.G. Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, M.B., C.M., C.M.G. Hon. Mr. GERSHON STEWART. Hon. Mr. W. YUK. Hon. Mr. C. W. DICKSON. Mr. A. G. M. FLETCHER (Clerk of Councils) MINUTES.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

WORKMEN'S TRANS.

His EXCELLENCY—Arising out of the minutes of the last meeting perhaps Dr. Ho Kai has a report to make in the matter of the resolution on the subject of the trans which was before last meeting of Council.

The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai—On workmen's cars? His EXCELLENCY—Have you anything to report?

The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai—No sir. We have made inquiries and received a very large number of communications from workmen themselves and from others. There is a great deal of information in them and the matter will require some time for investigation. I should like to have the resolution adjourned until another meeting.

His EXCELLENCY—The resolution stands adjourned for consideration to another meeting.

PAPERS.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the report by the examiners of Queen's College.

FINANCIAL.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minutes, Nos. 58 to 61, and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

His EXCELLENCY—Of the four Financial minutes which it is proposed to refer to the Finance Committee, two of them, Nos. 59 and No. 61, require further explanation from myself. No. 59 includes a sum of \$11,600 in aid of the vote for annually recurrent expenditure on Public Works. The only considerable item included in that sum is one of \$6,500 for the maintenance of the Praya walls and piers.

The reason why this extra expenditure is being incurred this year is that it is thought advantageous to renew the pier at Observation Place while the Praya reclamation plant, which will eventually be disposed of, is still available. The Financial minute also includes a sum of \$107,050 in aid of the vote for Extraordinary Public Works. The first of the seven items which this amount is to cover is one of \$7,500 for the Bacteriological Institute.

This is due to money having been expended out of the same vote in 1904 that was not anticipated and accordingly a greater sum is required for the completion of the building in 1905. This was provided in the estimate, which is a re-vote. The additional \$15,400 put down against miscellaneous drainage works is required on account of these works being necessary in connection with the reclamation scheme at Tai Po, Tai Kok Tsui, Mongkong Tsui and Kowloon Point. The \$9,800 additional for miscellaneous work refers to a number of items, the principal one of which is the advisability of carrying out some works of improvement at the Central Police Station at the same time as the additional station was added to that building.

For forming and kerbing streets an additional sum of \$25,000 is required. This expenditure is being incurred in resuming a piece of land which comes in the way of the 100 foot road which is to go from Kowloon Point to Hok Tin.

The resumption is now carried out because of the exceptionally favourable opportunity. The \$5,000 additional for miscellaneous water works is being expended in increasing the supply available for water boats at Tai-chikok.

The requirements of water boats are very much increased since the Government supply was first established there, and the works of supplying them is a remunerative one. There is an item of \$40,000 in connection with the Typhoon Tug scheme on which better progress was made than anticipated. The remaining item, \$4,940 for typhoon damages, speaks for itself. Turning from the details to the general effect of the vote which I am asking you to give on the Public Works Department for this year, and dealing first with recurrent public works, you will remember that on annual expenditure the original estimate was \$380,500. The supplementary vote including the present one amounted to \$21,250. Against this there were savings amounting to \$17,150 so that the total excess for the whole vote for the year will be \$4,100, which is about 1 per cent.

Turning to the public works extraordinary the original estimate was \$1,815,300. The supplementary votes including the one now submitted amounted to \$354,470. Against this there were savings to the amount of \$279,540, leaving an excess over the original estimate of \$74,930. That is practically 4 per cent which we spent this year on the railway. This statement is not quite so satisfactory from the financial point of view as the one I made on September 7th, exactly three months ago.

Then I did not anticipate we should spend the whole amount of the vote for public works extraordinary. From the point of view of work done, it is on the other hand more satisfactory, as we have made more progress than anticipated on the water supply works and the preliminary arrangements for the railway. The financial aspect has also its brighter side because we are now in hopes of obtaining from land sales during the year a sum more nearly approximating the original estimate of \$500,000 than the revised estimate I put before you on September 7th of \$400,000. The other vote requiring explanation is No. 61, \$16,891 in aid of the expenses of the Military and Volunteers. The bulk of this is a re-vote due to the rifles and equipment which were ordered last year not having been charged to the Colony until the commencement of the present year. There is also a small amount, under \$2,000, which has been required for the equipment of the Volunteer troop.

The motion was agreed to.

GENERAL LOAN AND INScribed STOCK ORDINANCE.

The Attorney-General moved that a Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend the General Loan and Inscribed Stock Ordinance, 1893, be read a first time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

His EXCELLENCY—The explanation of the Bill which has been put before you is shown in the following despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies which I received by last mail. It is dated 3rd November, 1905:

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of the 18th October reporting that an Ordinance had been passed by the Legislative Council for raising a sum not exceeding £2,000,000, under the provisions of the Loan Ordinance of 1893, to defray the cost of the railway from Kowloon to Canton and for other railway purposes.

I entirely agree that this is the proper procedure in an ordinary case, and I should require very strong arguments to induce me to sanction the raising of a Colonial Loan otherwise than by the issue of inscribed stock. But it has been pointed out to me that the circumstances of the present loan, so far as they relate to the advance made to the Viceroy at Wuhan, are altogether exceptional. The loan is to be repaid in ten years at the outside, and possibly after five; and it may prove advantageous to issue this loan in the form of debentures repayable by ten annual drawings proportionate to the instalments due from the Viceroy. It has, therefore, been suggested that the most convenient course would be to amend the Ordinance of 1893 by providing in general terms that notwithstanding the provisions of section 3 it shall be lawful for the Governor to raise money by debentures or partly by debentures and partly by inscribed stock on conditions as to the repayment of the debentures, as the Crown Agents with the approval of the Governor may prescribe. A saving clause should be added providing that nothing shall affect the rights required, or liabilities incurred, under the provisions of the principal Ordinance, and it should be made clear that the Amending Ordinance will apply to the loan just authorised.

His EXCELLENCY—The Secretary of State further asks that I should report by telegraph as soon as the Ordinance has been passed.

The motion was agreed to.

The Attorney-General then moved the suspension of the Standing Orders so that the Bill be read a second time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the motion was agreed to.

The Attorney-General—I move that the Bill be now read a second time. The object of the Bill is to give effect to the recommendations of the Secretary of State which His EXCELLENCY has just read to us. The Bill amends the Loan Ordinance in this respect only that it authorises the Governor to raise any loan that may be required either by means known as inscribed stock or by debentures, or partly in the one way and partly in the other. The last clause of the Bill makes it clear that the loan authorised by this Council a month or two ago may be raised either by debenture or by inscribed stock.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the motion was agreed to.

The Attorney-General then moved that the Bill be considered in committee.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the motion was agreed to.

The Bill passed through committee without alteration.

The Hon. Mr. R. SHEWAN—Of course, we understand that before any further loan is converted the whole question will be discussed before the Council.

His EXCELLENCY—You give general power works. The Hon. Mr. R. SHEWAN—Won't the Council have an opportunity of discussing the terms of the loan and the interest to be paid.

His EXCELLENCY—I don't think so.

The Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—Will it be left between the Governor and the Crown Agents? His EXCELLENCY—It will be for the Governor of this Colony to deal with this matter. It will not be a matter convenient to discuss at the Legislative Council.

The Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—Shan't we have an opportunity of discussing the terms of this loan? To say whether the interest is right.

The Attorney-General—The Governor will take advice but not from the Legislative Council.

The Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—There will be no further reference to the Legislative Council if we pass the Bill?

His EXCELLENCY—No.

The Attorney-General—The only difference the Bill makes is as to the means by which the loan will be raised.

The Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—Will there be no opportunity of discussing the terms of the loan? The Attorney-General—Not any more than you previously had.

On the Council resuming.

The Attorney-General moved that the Bill be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

The Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—I would ask that this Council be adjourned to consider this on another occasion.

The Attorney-General—Why?

The Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—To give us time to consider our position in the matter. We ought to have an opportunity of discussing the loan.

The Attorney-General—The Bill only allows the loan to be raised by debentures as well as inscribed stock.

A question having been asked as to the interest.

The Hon. Mr. GERSHON STEWART said—We never paid more than 3 per cent.

His EXCELLENCY—So far as I recollect we paid 4 or 4½ per cent on the original loan which was converted to 3½ per cent by the Crown Agents in 1903.

The Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—Is there any reason why the Bill should be rushed through today?

His EXCELLENCY—Except that the Secretary of State says it should be passed as soon as possible.

The Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—We have had no time to consider it at all.

The Attorney-General—It must be obvious that it should be passed as soon as possible. What objection can there be to passing it today?

The Hon. Mr. R. SHEWAN—Give us a little time to think over it.

The Hon. Mr. GERSHON STEWART—They might issue the bonds at 5 per cent, according to this Bill.

The Colonial Treasurer—They will be put up for tender.

The Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—Will they be put up to public tender?

The Colonial Treasurer—Of course they will. They always are.

The Attorney-General—If the honourable gentleman could show any good reason for not passing the Bill to-day, and he insists upon his objection, the Council must postpone its consideration until a later stage, but before taking that course perhaps the hon. gentleman will reconsider his objection.

The Hon. Mr. R. SHEWAN—I don't wish to obstruct the course of the Bill at all, but perhaps you may be able to give us the terms on which the loan will be made, because I and a great many people have an interest in this matter. They would say we had not done our duty if we rushed through the Bill without considering what we are doing. I think we should have an opportunity of giving the Bill some consideration. The Bill itself is innocent enough, but if it is passed, the Governor to go right ahead without letting us know the terms of the loan? I hoped the Governor might be able to tell us the terms of the loan.

His EXCELLENCY—If the meeting were adjourned till Monday I should not be in a position to give any information as to the terms of the loan.

The Attorney-General—The loan will be obtained on the best terms procurable in the market at the time the loan is issued.

The Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—Is it to be placed in London or left entirely in the hands of the Crown Agents?

His EXCELLENCY—Not entirely to the Crown Agents.

The Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—There is a rooted disgust to the Crown Agents; a great disgust.

The Attorney-General—If you go to Australia or New Zealand you don't find the Government employing outside agents.

The Hon. Mr. R. SHEWAN—But they are under control. I don't think ours are.

His EXCELLENCY—This is not the time to discuss the position of the Crown Agents.

The Hon. Mr. R. SHEWAN—Will there be any further reference of this Bill to the Council?

The Attorney-General—To the Council of the Governor. This is a Council for passing laws, not an administrative Council.

The Hon. Mr. R. SHEWAN—People don't know anything about the deliberations of the Executive Council?

His EXCELLENCY—Do you withdraw your objections, sir?

The Hon. Mr. R. SHEWAN—I think the public should understand the position of affairs.

The Attorney-General—I move the standing orders be suspended and the Bill read a third time, if no one objects.

The Hon. Sir PAUL CHATER seconded.

His EXCELLENCY—Any member object? The Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—Yes, I object.

The Hon. Mr. GERSHON STEWART—What is the rate of interest?

The Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—If it is vitally important that the Bill should be passed to-day, please say so.

His EXCELLENCY—The objection is that if you postpone the motion to a future occasion I shall not be able to give any further information then.

The Hon. Mr. R. SHEWAN—I want to give the public time to think over it. If you assure me it is necessary that the Bill should pass to-day—

His EXCELLENCY—It is desirable.

The Hon. Mr. R. SHEWAN—It has been too much the habit of this Council to rush through Bills. Our constituents blame us for not doing our duty.

His EXCELLENCY—It is desirable but not essential that the Bill should be passed to-day. If you adjourn it till Monday I shall not be able to give you any more information on that point than now.

The Attorney-General—You can give the information until the Bill is passed.

The Hon. Mr. R. SHEWAN—It will do nobody any harm if we delay it till Monday.

The Attorney-General—The Bill does not give the Governor any further power than the Bill of 1893.

The Hon. Mr. R. SHEWAN—As a matter of principle I object to the Bill being rushed through in one day.

His EXCELLENCY—It is desirable that the Bill should be passed to-day. If the hon. member thinks it advisable to postpone consideration until Monday I am prepared to do it.

The Hon. Mr. R. SHEWAN—Very well sir. I withdraw my objection.

The Attorney-General moved that the Bill be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

His EXCELLENCY—The Council stands adjourned till after the meeting of the Finance Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was then held—the Colonial Secretary presiding.

The following votes were passed—

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of three hundred and forty-eight dollars (\$348) in aid of the vote Miscellaneous Services, Printing Miscellaneous Papers, for 100 copies of Street Index, 2nd Edition.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) in aid of the vote Public Works Department, Other Charges, Language Allowance to Mr. S. R. Moore, Land Bailiff, who has passed the examination in the Hakka Colloquial.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of One hundred and eighteen thousand six hundred and fifty dollars (\$118,650) in aid of the vote Public Works Department, Recurrent Expenditure and Public Works Extraordinary for the following items—

PUBLIC WORKS ANNUALLY RECURRENT EXPENDITURE.

Maintenance of Buildings	\$2,000
" Gas Lighting, Kowloon	100
" Roads and Bridges in the City	1,000
" Roads and Bridges in New Territory	1,500
" Praya Wall and Piers	6,500
" Public Cemetery	500
Total	\$11,500

PUBLIC WORKS EXTRAORDINARY.

Bacteriological Institute	\$7,500
Miscellaneous Drainage Works	15,000
Miscellaneous Works	9,800
Forming and Kerbing Streets	25,000
Miscellaneous Water Works	5,000
Water Supply—Typhoon Tug Scheme	40,000
Typhoon Damages	4,550
Total	\$118,650

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of Sixteen thousand eight hundred and ninety-one dollars and forty-seven cents (\$16,891.47) in aid of the vote, Military expenditure, expenses of Volunteers—Other charges, Rifles and Equipment.

When the Council resumed.

The Colonial Secretary said I have to report that Financial Minutes Nos. 58 to 61 have been considered by the Finance Committee and the recommendations have been approved. Accordingly I move that the report be presented be adopted.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

VISIT OF PRINCE ARTHUR.

His EXCELLENCY said—The Council will be glad to learn that I have received news from the Secretary of State that His Royal Highness Prince Arthur of Connaught, on his way to Japan with the commission of the Order of the Garter to the Emperor of Japan, will make a stay in Hongkong. According to present arrangements His Royal Highness will arrive here on the 9th of February and remain here until the 14th. During that time His Royal Highness will pay a visit to Canton (applause).

His EXCELLENCY—The Council is adjourned sine die.

POLICE COURT.

Thursday, 7th December.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELDEN (First Police Magistrate).

GAMBLING AT HEADQUARTERS.

Inspector Gould, with a squad of police, raided the servants' quarters at Headquarters Office last night and arrested fourteen natives who were gambling.

They were charged with the offence and found guilty.

His Worship fined the first and second defendants, the keepers of the game, each \$150, the alternative being two months' imprisonment. The players were all fined \$3 or seven days.

STOWAWAYS.

Twelve female Japanese were charged with stowing away on the *Sui Sang* at Meiji. P.C. Berrie arrested them on Wednesday night while climbing down the bows of the vessel.

Inspector Langley stated that the defendants' parents gave \$480 to the boatswain of the ship in payment of their passage, but the man had absconded, and he would ask His Worship to direct that a warrant be issued for his arrest, as he had left the Colony. The women were found stowed away in the fore peak of the vessel.

The defendants admitted that the Inspector's statement was true, and His Worship convicted them, but withheld sentence. He also directed a warrant to issue for the boatswain's arrest.

ADULTS AND ABETTERS.

Three Japanese men were charged with aiding and abetting the aforementioned stowaways. The case was remanded, bail being refused.

ABOARD WITHOUT CAPTAIN'S LEAVE.

Two more were charged with being on board the vessel without the captain's permission, also with aiding and abetting the said stowaways. Inspector Langley stated that one of these men was found on board another vessel some time ago under similar circumstances and his Worship fined him \$50. There was no doubt that he was connected with the present case.

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This charge was also adjourned, bail being allowed in the sum of \$500 for each defendant. CHARGES AGAINST A BANKRUPT.

Chey Chung Li was charged with (1)—That on the 27th to the 30th days June inclusive, and the 1st to the 5th days July inclusive, he unlawfully did then within four months next, before the presentation of the bankruptcy petition against him, remove part of his property, to wit a quantity of household furniture, one ricksha and one perambulator to the value of \$800 and upwards from his residence at 15 Wyndham Street to the first floor of 25 Elgin Street, with intent to defraud contrary to Clause C, Subsection 1 of Section 82 of the Bankruptcy Ordinance of 1891, (2)—That the defendant did make a material omission from the statement of his affairs, made and deposited by him with the Official Receiver, by omitting to specify his property situate in Canton with intent to defraud, contrary to Clause 5 of Subsection 1 of Section 82 of the Bankruptcy Ordinance of 1891, (3)—That the defendant from the 6th to the 27th July unlawfully did, after the presentation of a bankruptcy petition against him, sell part of his property, to wit, a quantity of household furniture, one ricksha and one perambulator to the value of \$800 and upwards with intent to defraud contrary to Clause D of Subsection 1 of Section 82 of the Bankruptcy Ordinance of 1891.

Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, presented; Mr. C. F. Dixon (of Mr. John Hastings' office) represented the petitioning creditor; and Mr. P. W. Goldring (of Messrs. Bratton, Hall and Goldring), appeared for the defendant.

J. W. Lee Jones, Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court and a Commissioner to administer oaths, deposed that on the 16th August the defendant made a declaration before him as to his statement of affairs, which he then filed in bankruptcy. The notes produced were taken by witness at the defendant's public examination.

N. G. Nolan, a Supreme Court interpreter, gave evidence as to the defendant signing the pages of his declaration before him.

G. H. Wakeman, Official Receiver of the defendant's estate, testified as to the receiving order in bankruptcy being made on the 24th July. At the first meeting of creditors, held on the 28th July, the defendant did not attend, but he gave \$5,000 security for his appearance in bankruptcy proceedings. The only assets at present realised were on furniture. Witness had endeavoured to realise on his other property, but found it unrealisable. The defendant's total liabilities were \$76,311.03 and his total assets \$27,222.95; the latter included the sum of \$1,822.95 proceeds from the sale of furniture. Neither the defendant nor anyone on his behalf gave witness assistance in discovering the furniture in Elgin Street, neither did he say he had any furniture there. His property in China was not mentioned in his statement of affairs.

Cross examined—He had not been able to ascertain that the defendant had removed any property out of the Colony as alleged in the bankruptcy petition. This petition did not specify the date the defendant left the Colony. F. Howell, bailiff of the Supreme Court said that on the 16th July last he executed a warrant for the seizure of the defendant's goods then at his house in Wyndham Street. The defendant was not there, but there were several Chinese women. Witness noticed that the walls were particularly bare, and bare marks where nails had been extracted while the colouring of the walls in such spots looked as though pictures or something had been hanging up and had been taken away. The overhead above the fireplace looked bare, while other rooms did not appear to be completely furnished. Acting under instructions he next proceeded to 25 Elgin Street, where he found a quantity of furniture stored.

The case was adjourned until to-day.

BEFORE MR. C. D. MELBOURNE (Acting Second Police Magistrate).

STEALING A BRASS PLATE.

A ricksha coolie was charged with stealing a brass plate valued at \$40 from the wall outside Messrs. Shewan Tomes and Co.'s premises on Wednesday night.

Inspector Warnock stated that on the previous night an attempt had been made to remove this plate, two screws having been removed. Special instructions were, therefore, given the watchman to keep a sharp lookout on the following night. On the night in question the Indian watchman saw the defendant take the plate down, and called a constable, who arrested him.

He was found guilty and sentenced to three weeks' hard labour.

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H. RUTTONJEE, Sole Agents for China, Hongkong, 8th December, 1905. [2774]

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

A MEETING of MEMBERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, on WEDNESDAY, 13th inst., at 5.15 P.M.

BUSINESS.—To pass ACCOUNTS, &c.

C. G. MACKIE, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Hongkong, 8th December, 1905. [2775]

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

THE REGATTA.

A LAUNCH flying the Club Colours will leave Bluff Point at 10.30 A.M. exactly on SATURDAY MORNING, to convey members to Aberdeen for the REGATTA, and will return to Hongkong after the last race.

H. PERCY SMITH, Secretary, 3, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 8th December, 1905. [2776]

VACANCIES.

APPLICATIONS are invited for the appointments of TWO FEMALE PROBATIONER NURSES, which will be vacant on the 1st of January next, in the GOVERNMENT CIVIL MEDICAL DEPARTMENT of Hongkong. Applicants must be of BRITISH PARENTAGE and not under Twenty years of age.

Applications, in the handwriting of the applicants, with certificates of character, etc., should be forwarded to the Principal Civil Medical Officer, at the Government Civil Medical Hospital, not later than Noon of the 23rd inst. Salary, etc., of each appointment—\$480 per annum, with uniform, attendance, free furnished quarters and an allowance of \$84 per annum for fuel and light.

Full particulars may be had on application.

FRANCIS CLARK, Principal Civil Medical Officer, Government Civil Medical Department, Hongkong, 8th December, 1905. [2777]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Society No. 1, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th day of DECEMBER, 1905, at 12 o'clock Noon when the subjoined resolution will be proposed:—

"That the Capital of the Society be increased to \$3,100,000 by the creation of 2,400 additional ordinary shares of \$250 each (whereof \$100 shall be credited as 'paid up' ranking for dividend and in all other respects pari passu with the existing ordinary shares of the Society; and that the said additional shares, so far as shall be necessary for the purpose, be issued to those shareholders of the CHINA TRADERS INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD., who have accepted or shall accept this Society's offer made to them on the 25th August, 1905, such issue being in accordance with the terms of a contract or memorandum in writing made or to be made pursuant to the said offer and to be filed with the Registrar of Companies; and that the balance, if any, of the said additional shares be disposed of by the Board in such manner as it shall think most beneficial to the Society."

Should the resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution to a second Extraordinary Meeting which will be held on the 7th day of December, 1905.

By Order of the Board,

W. J. SAUNDERS, Secretary.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "WINDSOR."

FROM SOUBAYAYA.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for signature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from the cargo.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LD., Agents, Hongkong, 7th December, 1905. [2780]

NEW ADVERTISEMENT

FOR NAGASAKI & VLADIVOSTOK.

THE Steamship "TUNGUS," Captain Halversen, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 13th inst., at 12 Noon.

The steamer has splendid accommodation for passengers.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office, Hongkong, 8th December, 1905. [2779]

INTIMATIONS.

REGATTA HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Government Notification No. 304, the EXCHANGE HANKS will be CLOSED for the transaction of public business TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 9th inst.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1905. [2746]

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

REGATTA HOLIDAY.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 9th inst.

By Order,

A. R. LOWE, Secretary, Hongkong, 7th December, 1905. [2759]

HONGKONG REGATTA.

ABERDEEN.

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), 9th Dec. Flag Ship "San Cheung" will leave Wharf at Winkler Street, 10 A.M.

Launch "Earth" will leave Blake Pier, 11.30 A.M. and 1.30 P.M.

F. W. WARRE, Hon. Secretary, Hongkong, 6th December, 1905. [2747]

VICTORIA AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

THE Members of the above Club will give their first performance in the Theatre of St. Patrick's Club, Garden Road (near Tram Station).

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), Dec. 9, 1905. When Boucicault's Famous Irish Drama in three Acts,

"THE SHAUGHRAUN" will be presented.

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Doors open at 8 P.M. Commence at 8.30 P.M. sharp. Chairs may be ordered for 11.30 P.M.

Prices: Reserved Seats, \$2; Unreserved \$1. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Seats may be booked at the ROBINSON PIANO Co., LD., where plan is on view.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1905. [2736]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

No. 60 of 1905.

Re THE WONG CHEUNG KEE Firm, lately carrying on business at No. 218, Des Vaux Road Central, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, Merchants.

Debtors, Experts The WING FUNG LUNG Firm, the KWONG LEE LEE Firm, the CHUI LEE FENG, the KAM FUNG MEE Firm, and the PAN CHAN Firm.—Creditors.

IN THE MATTER of a BANKRUPTCY PETITION filed the 24th day of November, 1905.

To

The WONG CHEUNG KEE Firm lately carrying on business at No. 218, Des Vaux Road Central, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, Merchants.

TAKE NOTICE that a BANKRUPTCY PETITION has been presented against you to the Supreme Court by the WING FUNG LUNG Firm of No. 225, Des Vaux Road West, Victoria, aforesaid, Merchants, the WING CHUI YUEN Firm of No. 124, Connaught Road Central, Victoria, aforesaid, Merchants, the KWONG MEE LEE Firm of No. 301, Des Vaux Road Central, aforesaid, Merchants, the CHUI LEE FENG Firm of No. 2, Eastern Street, Victoria, aforesaid, Merchants, the KAM FUNG MEE Firm of No. 144, Connaught Road Central, aforesaid, Merchants, and the PAN CHAN Firm of No. 225, Des Vaux Road West, aforesaid, Merchants, and the Court has on the 28th day of November, 1905, ordered that the posting of a copy of the said petition and a copy of the order of the Court House door, Victoria, aforesaid, and at No. 218, Des Vaux Road Central, aforesaid, your usual or last known place of business, within this Colony and also the publication of this notice in one English and one Chinese newspaper in circulation in this Colony shall be deemed to be service of the petition upon you; and further take notice that the said petition will be heard at this Court on THURSDAY, the 14th day of December, 1905, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, on which day you are required to appear; and if you do not appear the Court may make a receiving order against you in your absence.

The petition can be inspected by you on application at this Court.

Dated this 28th day of November, 1905.

J. W. LEE-JONES, Deputy Registrar.

Messrs. BRUTTON, HETT & GOLDING, Nos. 39, 41 and 43, Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong, Solicitors for the above-named Creditors. [2737]

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS

EXTRA COPIES of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. RUTTONJEE'S KOWLOON STORE, No. 38, Elgin Road and Mr. AH YAU'S FERRY WHARF STALL.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1903.

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EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

By TELEGRAPH.

AFTER EXAMINATION, the Chartered Accountants have certified to the Directors of the EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY of the UNITED STATES that the Society's ASSETS are realisable as claimed. In all on 30th September, these Assets amount to \$416,000,000.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers, Hongkong, 2nd December, 1905. [2711]

EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

MESSRS. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers of the above Society, have received from the Society's Head Office the following Telegram:—

"Accountant further certified surplus 67 millions. Financial Condition is unquestionable."

Hongkong, 6th December, 1905. [2757]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

LOST.

TIME SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 3025 for TEN SHARES numbered 17980 to 17990 and 4271 to 4275 inclusive, standing in the name of EDWARD SHELTON, of Hongkong, having been LOST, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that unless the said CERTIFICATE be produced at the Office of the Company, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the thirtieth day of December, 1905, a new Certificate for the said Shares will be issued and the old Certificate will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary, Hongkong, 18th November, 1905. [2698]

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undermentioned CERTIFICATES Nos. N.S. 1653, 1664 dated Shanghai 17th July, 1900, for FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTYE SHARES of this Bank registered at the SHANGHAI BRANCH in the name of TONG SHOU PANG (now deceased) have been LOST and should these certificates not be produced before the 29th day of December, 1905, NEW CERTIFICATES for the Shares will be issued by the SHANGHAI BRANCH and the aforesaid Certificates Nos. N.S. 1653/1664 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

No. N.S. 1653 for 50 Shares numbered 49728/37, 32583/91, 25010/12, 39833/63, 13261 and 40938/325.

No. N.S. 1654 for 50 Shares numbered 38556/75, 53003/17, 69053/92 and 6311/18.

No. N.S. 1655 for 40 Shares numbered 8535/49, 65446/50, 25872/80 and 60293/97.

No. N.S. 1656 for 50 Shares numbered 52936/82 and 25552/54.

No. N.S. 1657 for 25 Shares numbered 37075/89.

No. N.S. 1658 for 25 Shares numbered 47623/27, 16628/37 and 22006/15.

No. N.S. 1659 for 25 Shares numbered 47012/11, 16635/52 and 65679/88.

No. N.S. 1660 for 25 Shares numbered 119521/15.

No. N.S. 1661 for 25 Shares numbered 19631/40 and 5351/45.

No. N.S. 1662 for 35 Shares numbered 21672/42, 20699/60, 60516/23, 68676/33 and 63022/24.

No. N.S. 1663 for 25 Shares numbered 58238/42, 53499/18 and 2347/83.

No. N.S. 1664 for 25 Shares numbered 65533, 47883/37, 40309/31, 19311/307, 30733/37, 63757/58, 67489/31, 68100 and 69412.

403 Shares.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager, Hongkong, 30th November, 1905. [2693]

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Hongkong, 15th February, 1905. [108]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-DAY (FRIDAY), the 8th December, 1905, at 2.30 P.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road (Corner of Ice House Street),

A QUANTITY OF MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES, comprising:—

HALF-PLATE CAMERAS, SEXTANTS, CLOTHING, TELESCOPES, BINOCLULARS, BOOTS AND SHOES, SUNDRY JEWELRY, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

Terms:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers, Hongkong, 6th December, 1905. [2752]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES to sell by Public Auction, On MONDAY, the 11th December, 1905, at 11 A.M., at King's Park, Kowloon,

3 CORRUGATED IRON BUILDINGS, the MATCHES, now standing, a quantity of BARBED WIRE, and

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HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers, Hongkong, 6th December, 1905. [2753]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, On MONDAY, the 11th December, 1905, at 2.30 P.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF JAPANESE CURIOS, comprising:—

OLD SATSUMA VASES, INCENSE BURNERS, WALL PLATES, GOLD AND SILVER, CLOISONNE WARE, TEA SETS, LAQUEE WARE, SILK EMBROIDERIES, OLD BRONZES, WALL HANGINGS, KAKEMONOS, IVORY ORNAMENTS, &c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

Terms:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers, Hongkong, 6th December, 1905. [2753]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 11th day of December, 1905, at 3 P.M., on the Sites by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Eight Lots of Crown Land at Kau U Fong in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No.	Lot No.	Area	Boundary Measurements	Cont. Area	Annual Rent	Annual Price
1	Lot No. 1747	1.77	East 100 feet, West 100 feet, North 100 feet, South 100 feet	482	8	3,931
2	Lot No. 1748	2.00	East 100 feet, West 100 feet, North 100 feet, South 100 feet	541	54	25,511
3	Lot No. 1749	3.00	East 100 feet, West 100 feet, North 100 feet, South 100 feet	812	81	38,492
4	Lot No. 1750	4.00	East 100 feet, West 100 feet, North 100 feet, South 100 feet	1,076	107	51,276
5	Lot No. 1751	5.00	East 100 feet, West 100 feet, North 100 feet, South 100 feet	1,340	134	64,060
6	Lot No. 1752	6.00	East 100 feet, West 100 feet, North 100 feet, South 100 feet	1,604	160	76,848
7	Lot No. 1753	7.00	East 100 feet, West 100 feet, North 100 feet, South 100 feet	1,868	186	89,636
8	Lot No. 1754	8.00	East 100 feet, West 100 feet, North 100 feet, South 100 feet	2,132	213	102,424

VACANCY.

APPLICATIONS are invited for the appointment of an EUROPEAN WARDMASTER, which will be VACANT in the GOVERNMENT CIVIL MEDICAL DEPARTMENT of Hongkong on the 1st of January next. Applications with certificates of character, etc., should be forwarded to the Principal Civil Medical Officer at the Government Civil Hospital not later than noon of the 15th inst.

Salary, &c., £110 a year, rising by triennial increments of £20 to £150 a year, with uniform and free furnished bachelor's quarters.

Applicants must be under 35 years of age.

FRANCIS CLARK, Principal Civil Medical Officer, Government Civil Medical Department, Hongkong, 5th December, 1905. [2735]

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SPACIOUS GODOWNS, formerly known as McGregor Barcoles, fronting the PAYS SECOND FLOOR of No. 6, DES VEAUX ROAD CENTRAL, formerly occupied by the Standard Oil Co. of New York.

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TWO NEW EUROPEAN HOUSES, next but one to "Glencoe," Macdonnell Road, each containing 7 Rooms and Bath Rooms, with a well laid out Lawn, full View of Harbour.

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CHUNG CHI NAM, 31, Bonham Strand, West, Hongkong, 4th December, 1905. [2735]

TO LET.

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Apply to—

WONG CHEE SANG, Care of Yee Sang Fat & Co., Hongkong, 30th November, 1905. [2691]

TO LET OR FOR SALE.

DUNHEVED 33, Robinson Road.

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HO U. MING, 81, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 17th June, 1905. [853]

TO LET.

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Apply to—TANG CHUK MAN, Care of Tang Yiu Cheung, 104, Hollywood Road, Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. [2572]

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FURNISHED ROOMS, with or without Board, near Ferry, Kowloon. Tennis Court attached.

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HOUSES in AUSTIN AVENUE, Kowloon. Moderate rentals.

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No. 4, CLIFTON GARDENS, Conduit Road.

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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD., Hongkong, 31st October, 1905. [2456]

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LUK CHEUK MAN, No. 31, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 12th July, 1905. [1653]

TO LET.

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HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD., Hongkong, 23rd June, 1905. [1539]

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SEVEN EUROPEAN HOUSES, late S. F. Blackhead & Co. and Shewan, Tomes & Co.'s Offices. Ground Floors and Top Floors with Godowns can be let separately on leases.

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CHUNG SHUN KO, First Floor, No. 10, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 18th July, 1905. [92]

TO LET.

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THREE NEW HOUSES, CASTLE ROAD, HONGKONG.

Apply to—

SAM WANG CO., LD., 81, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 12th July, 1905. [1234]

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 CAPITAL UNPAID.....6,000,000
 RESERVE FUND.....9,941,000

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 J. R. M. SMITH,
 Chief Manager.
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AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....Sh. Tals 7,500,000

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HUGO SUTER,
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 Hongkong 8th September, 1905.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND.....\$10,000,000

SILVER RESERVE.....\$5,000,000

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SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....2,750,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....687,500

II. FIRE FUNDS.....3,061,269 12. 9

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Hongkong, 30th June, 1905.

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

PHOTOGRAPHIC PRINTS IN COLOURS—ALCOHOL, IRON, INORGANIC MATERIALS—ALUMINUM PAPER—HEADACHE VARIETIES—THE LIME LIGHT SUCCESSORS—ASBESTOS FOOTWEAR—A CHEMICAL LAMP—THE HEAVIEST SOLUTION—IRON-PROTECTED COPPER.

A novelty of the fiftieth annual exhibition of the London Royal Photographic Society was a demonstration of the three colour process called "pintype." This is claimed to be the simplest method of colour printing on paper, and in it three prints in chromatic gold are made from the ordinary three transparencies—each transparency being the view photograph of a scene of one primary colour—and these prints are each caused to absorb its proper colour by soaking in dye solution. The prepared paper that is to bear the print is squeezed on to each of these coloured print plates in turn. It duly absorbs the colour, and thus the three colours are transferred to a single film. The results are said to be of varying merit.

Synthetic alcohol has been the subject of interesting experiments at a factory near Paris. When a mixture of coke, lime and various metallic oxides was subjected to the heat of an electric furnace, a copious called "ethylene" was produced, and by the action of water this gave ethylene. Absorbed by sulphuric acid, the ethylene yields sulphuric acid, from which alcohol is obtained by distillation with water. Produced at the same time are an ether, acetic acid and acetone.

Tin-foil as a wrapping material for fatty matters and other articles is being largely replaced in Germany by a kind of parchment made with aluminium. The aluminium is made to adhere by spirit varnish and pressing by rollers, and the so-called aluminium paper is cheaper than tin-foil.

The factories of Peru now produce 22,500 pounds of cocaine yearly, using 1500 tons of coca leaves. The cocaine contains 11 to 2 per cent of impurities, and is purified on reaching Hamburg, the chief market.

A physician finds that headaches are due to three main causes. The first is a disordered nervous system, and often results from the worry and stress of life, never from properly called worry. Belonging to this class also is the headache of anemia, so common among young girls of ill nourished nervous systems and impoverished blood. The second great cause is eye-strain, which does not depend upon defective vision, but on a faulty shape of the eye that over taxes the muscle of accommodation, and is not corrected by proper glasses. Headaches from this cause, unlike others, are often severe at night and absent in the morning. The third kind of headache is due to poisons in the blood, and its throbbings give evidence of too high blood pressure resulting from disorders of digestion due to over-eating of rich food, imperfect mastication, or lack of exercise.

A new and simple French apparatus both generates oxygen and automatically compresses it. The gas is set free by the combustion within the compression cylinder of a combustible substance mixed with potassium chlorate, and the heat produced is sufficient to liberate the whole of the oxygen from the chlorate, the largest form of apparatus yielding 60 cubic feet of oxygen per hour. The compressed product is intended for use with acetylene for a powerful light. A new oxyacetylene burner is employed, and this produces the very intense light by allowing the jet to impinge upon a suitable mixture of pure carbon, lime and magnesium being too rapidly fused by the great heat.

The chief inconvenience of troops on the march has been found by Dr. Hoggess to be soreness from the leather of the shoes rather than fatigue. He has, therefore, suggested an inner sole or sock of asbestos, and his hygienic asbestos socks have been already adopted by the Hungarian War Office, and are rapidly gaining favour among the general public in many parts of Europe.

The "Furriel" lamp of Dr. O. Schott, a German physician, is not designed to give either light or heat, but is expected to give out ultra-violet rays. The lamp, which is operated by passing an electric current through it, is an exhausted glass tube containing mercury vapour. The radiation is of extremely short wavelength, and about half of the rays are of the invisible ultra-violet kind, the others showing a violet light. The rays have powerful chemical effects. It is suggested that they may be found useful in photography, in starting certain chemical reactions, and in testing dyestuffs, and their action is sufficient to kill flies or other small insects, at a distance of half an inch in one minute and to inflict severe burns on the human skin in five to fifteen minutes. The burns are not due to heating. The lamp is very destructive to bacteria, with advantages over the Bunsen lamp, and its curative power in skin diseases is being tested.

A very heavy liquid has been found valuable in testing the specific gravity of solids. The new solution of Dubois, a French physician, contains sodium or lithium iodide in place of the potassium iodide already used by Theobald, and

is made by adding the alkaline iodide and mercuric iodide alternately to a small quantity of water until saturation takes place, the temperature being slightly raised. After 24 hours the liquid is filtered. The specific gravity of Theobald's solution was 3.196, while that of the sodium-mercuric iodide was 3.48, and the refractive index also is considerably greater in the latter. The lithium solution is intermediate between these two.

Coating with oxide of iron is the method by which Herr Uthmann, engineer to the German Admiralty, protects bilge and feed pipes of copper or its alloys from corrosion. The discovery is the outcome of elaborate experiments extending over more than two years.

A SINGAPORE PARROT STORY.

The Straits Times of Nov. 28 had the following "editorial": "Life has its sorrows." "Every rose has its thorns." "Man is born to trouble as sparks fly upward," etc., etc., and so also—unhappily—there lurk the elements of pain and torment in even the fondest and most dearly beloved of all our earthly possessions. Yesterday, life was made horrid for a certain English family that resides on the borders of the Municipal Limits. An adjacent Chinese family were celebrating a birth, or a death, or a wedding, or something, and accordingly they slew a pig or two for the requisite ceremonial feast. The English family had never before, remotely or otherwise, heard a pig being butchered to make a pagan holiday, and the "swan songs" of the stack porkers actually made some members of the family quite ill. But you may say, what of that? The pig can die but once, and his death-squawk cannot last for ever! Alas, if only such were true! In the English family there is a pet—a treasure—a thing of beauty and a joy for ever, in the shape of a lovely carmine-tinted Celebes cockatoo. It is one of those dear birds that whisper to you confidentially, and twinkle with you when you tickle its head. It had never before listened to a healthy pig being forcibly hurled into eternity; but when the opportunity did come it listened to all it could hear of the operation while it lasted. At day-light this morning the convalescent family was awakened by—as it believed—the simultaneous slaughter of a whole drove of pigs on the family back verandah. The Celebes cockatoo, who had been brooding all through the sloppy showers of yesterday, and again through the dark watches of the night, had mastered the subject before sunrise, and by sun-up had his art complete. The original slaughter melodies only furnished him with a theme which he improvised upon and extended with the rich supple and originality of a Liszt. He slaughtered pigs in armies, then he reincarnated them as *de capro* solo then again, *fortissimo* and also *con variazioni*. He was still engaged in that strenuous vocal exercise when his master left his home and sorrowful family. How the news comes to us is through that gentleman. He writes to enquire what can be done in the premises, and thus he puts us on the horns of a dilemma. He does not want to slay his pet cockatoo, which is now seemingly possessed of all the devils that ever were in all the gigs that ever had devils. He does not know how to exercise the evil porcine spirit that got into the bird. Practically speaking, however, his pet has been turned from an angel into a demon through the act of the Chinaman who slew the pigs yesterday for funeral baked meats. Can he sue that Chinaman for a new cockatoo? Can his European neighbours sue him for maintaining a nuisance if he fails to stop the orgies of pig-slaughter in which the bird is now doling itself? Can he hope to cure the bird? The first and last of these questions run beyond the province of this paper to reply to. If, however, the unfortunate gentleman fails, to cure or kill his debauched friend in feathers, his neighbours will undoubtedly be entitled—should they feel so disposed—to have the law on him."

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(Suggested by a statement that it was meat that made the Chinese on the Rand obstreperous.)

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But oh, we mark with pain and grief
 The change that mars his happiness,
 When primed with mutton, pork, or beef
 His habits change beyond belief.
 His manner's brusque, to snappiness.
 He takes about a dagger as a habit
 And when he sees a back, he wants to stab it.

Oh, cease to give him juicy steaks,
 Nor mutton-chops administer;
 This sort of diet only makes
 His body twist with serious aches,
 His mind grow dark and sinister,
 Give him each day a bean and half a lentil,
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—The Globe

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PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 1906 3rd January
GNEISENAU	WEDNESDAY 17th January
ROON	WEDNESDAY 31st January
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 14th February
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY 28th February
PRINZESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY 14th March
BAVERN	WEDNESDAY 28th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 11th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 25th April
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 9th May
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 23rd May
ROON	WEDNESDAY 6th June
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 20th June
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY 4th July
OLDENBURG	WEDNESDAY 18th July
BAVERN	WEDNESDAY 1st August
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 15th August
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 29th August

ON WEDNESDAY, the 20th day of DECEMBER, 1905, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH," Captain Gresch, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 18th December. Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 19th December, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on TUESDAY, the 19th December.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than 25/-.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.

Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to—

MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1905.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON, 1906.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

MARSEILLES AND LONDON.

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR
COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO NEW YORK.

Steamers to	Leave	Connecting Steamers	Due at	Due at
COLOMBO	HONGKONG	from COLOMBO to	MARSEILLES (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	PLYMOUTH (London 1 day later)
ARCADIA	7000	BRITANNIA	7000	Friday 16
DONGOLA	8000	MOLDAVIA	10000	Mar. 30
DELHI	8000	MONGOLIA	10000	Apr. 13
DELTA	8000	MOULTAN	10000	Apr. 27
OCEANA	7000	MARWABA	10500	May 11
ARCADIA	7000	VICTORIA	7000	Sunday 20
DEVANHA	8000	HIMALAYA	7000	May 26
DONGOLA	8000	INDIA	8000	June 9

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.

Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at (time) of booking.

In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following—

INTERMEDIATE (non-transit) STEAMERS

WILL LEAVE FOR

LONDON.

CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

STEAMERS.	TONNAGE	Leave HONGKONG	Leave SINGAPORE	Due at LONDON
† JAPAN	4500	Feb. 14	Feb. 23	Mar. 31
† SUMATRA	4500	Feb. 28	Mar. 9	Apr. 14
† NUBIA	4500	Mar. 14	Mar. 23	Apr. 28
† CEYLON	4500	Mar. 28	Apr. 6	May 12
† FORMOSA	4500	Apr. 11	Apr. 20	May 26

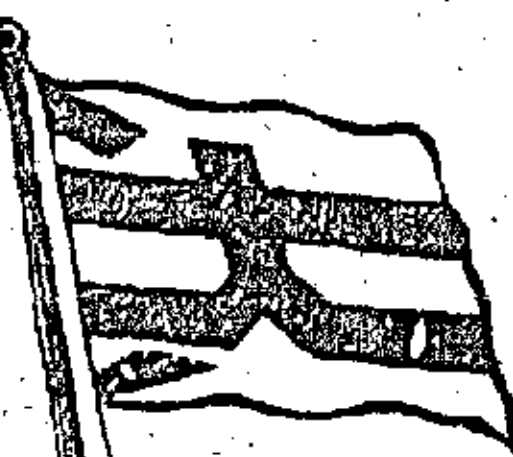
These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marseilles.

† "JAPAN," "CEYLON" and "FORMOSA" carry only First Class Saloon Passengers.

For Passage apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. (2707)

Hongkong, 1st December, 1905.



OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN
HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS
AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
TAMUI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIGI MARU"	SUNDAY, 10th Dec, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY and FOCHOW	"ANPING MARU"	TUESDAY, 12th Dec, at 10 A.M.
ANPING VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"FRITHJOF"	WEDNESDAY, 13th Dec, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY and FOCHOW	"TRIUMPH"	SUNDAY, 24th Dec, at 10 A.M.

These Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with electric light.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1905.

T. ARIMA, Manager. (14)

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDIA CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents for China and Japan

Hongkong, 4th August, 1898

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT MALABAR COAST).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1905. About

"GHAEZER" ... 9th Dec.

"LOTHIAN" ... 14th Dec.

"ATHOLL" ... 3rd Jan.

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LD., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1905. 2105-2135

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN

JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJILATJAP	JAPAN	First half of December	JAVA PORTS	First half of December
TJIPANAS	JAVA	First half of December	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	Second half of December
TJIMAH	JAPAN	First half of January	JAVA PORTS	First half of January
TJILIWONG	JAVA	First half of January	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	Second half of January

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands India ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

HEAD AGENCY OF THE

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Yorik Buildings, 1st Floor, Hongkong, 6th December, 1905.

Telephone No. 375.

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VESSELS ON THE BERTH

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIA LINE VIA NEW GUINEA.

STEAM FOR

FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFEN, SIMPSONIAFEN, HERBERTSHOFHE, MATUPI, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

On TUESDAY, the 12th December, at Noon, the Steamship "WILLEHILM," Captain Obenaus, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this Port as above.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For Further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November 1905. (2585)

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.

(Florio and Rabattino United Companies.)

STEAM FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALTAIO.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to PERMAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENCIA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.)

THE Steamship

"CAPRI,"

Captain Belsito, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 13th inst., at Noon.

At Bombay the Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1905. (4)

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN, ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SILVIA,"

Captain Jäger, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from above.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 A.M.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here-after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 8th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 8th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1905. (2713)

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"CHUSAN."

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—

From London, ex s.s. "Victoria."

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

CHRISTMAS CARDS.

Christmas Cards (if prepaid at Post Office) must be posted either in an unfastened envelope or in a cover which can be easily removed for the purpose of examination without the use of any seal or tearing any paper or separating any adhering surfaces. Covers may be secured with string.

Cards in closed envelopes with notched ends or corners cut will be taxed as letters. The latest method of sending cards is to enclose them in an envelope with the flap turned in. This method brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 7th October.

There will be one delivery and a collection from the Pillar Boxes as on Sunday.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

The *British Standard*, with the French mail of the 10th November, left Singapore on Tuesday, 10th inst., at 6 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 12th inst. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 7th October.

Mails for CANTON, SAMSHUI and WUCHOW are closed on week-days at 7.30 a.m.

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JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 7th December.

December 7th, 1935.

The Prices are given in Dollar Cents.

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AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

December 7th, 1935.

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HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO, & WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LD. AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM," 2,363 tons, Captain H. D. Jones.

S.S. "TOWAN," 2,338 tons, Captain F. F. Morrison, R.N.</